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ELECTRONIC EXCHANGES IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of telephone exchanges which have not yet been converted to electronic exchanges in Bihar;

(b) the time by which these exchanges are likely to be converted to electronic exchanges;

(c) the number of telephone exchanges for which decision was taken to convert them into electronic exchanges during the last two years; and

(d) the target fixed for converting telephone exchanges to electronic exchanges in the country during the Ninth Five Year Plan?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) to (c): All the telephone exchanges in Bihar were converted into electronic exchanges prior to the year 1999-2000.

(d) To replace all the technologically obsolete telephone exchanges with digital electronic exchanges was one of the objectives of Ninth Five-year Plan.